

BAKERS DECLARE DUTY ON EGGS WILL RAISE FOOD COST

Cattle Growers Ask Free List for Stock Under Two Years Old.

How many of the duties in the Fordney tariff bill would increase the cost of living was explained yesterday by witnesses before the Senate Finance Committee. Those testimony revealed the interest of the ultimate consumer in tariff making.

Adolph J. Gunderman, of New York City, representing the New York State Association of Master Bakers and similar organizations in other States, protested against the duty proposed in the bill on eggs, coconut, almonds, walnuts and filberts. He urged that the rates on these articles be left as in the Underwood law.

Mr. Gunderman said that the bakers use frozen eggs and dried eggs imported from China.

Will Pass Along Extra Cost.

"If you increase the duty on eggs," said Mr. Gunderman, "it will mean an increased cost to us and we will have to pass it along to the consumer."

A. W. Kemfner, representing sausage casing importers and dealers, told the committee that the proposed duty of 15 per cent on sausage casing will mean an increased cost of frankfurters to the consumer of between 2 and 3 cents a pound.

Mr. Kemfner said that 90 per cent of the casings used for frankfurters are imported and the industry in this country does not need protection.

J. A. Happer, of Douglas, Arizona, representing the American Association of Cattle Growers in Mexico, told the committee that the proposed duty of 15 per cent on stock cattle will mean an increased cost of frankfurters to the consumer of between 2 and 3 cents a pound.

Defend Duty on Shingles.

E. E. Case, of Raymond, Wash., and George Berkstrom, of Everett, Wash., representing Oregon and Washington shingle manufacturers, defended the duty of 50 cents per 1,000 on shingles which is contained in the Fordney bill.

Mr. Case said that most of the shingle mills in Washington and Oregon are operating at about one-half time and at a loss, while Canadian mills are running full time and some of them double time. He insisted that the proposed duty of 50 cents is moderate and will not provide complete protection.

Representative Johnson, of Washington, who also appeared to support the contention of the shingle manufacturers, declared that the opposition to the duty on shingles is backed by Americans with capital invested in Canada.

Differ on Duty on Reeds.

A number of witnesses were heard relative to reeds used in the manufacture of furniture. The Fordney bill leaves rattan on the free list, but increased the duty on reeds made from rattan from 10 to 20 per cent ad valorem.

The duty was defeated by Fred W. Green, of Ionia, Mich., representing the Ypsilanti Reed Furniture Company, which manufactures furniture and also makes the reeds from raw rattan. Mr. Green said that even with a duty of 20 per cent under the American valuation plan it would be possible for Chinese reed furniture to be sold in this country below the price of American furniture.

Allan Gernau, of the Otto Gernau Company, New York City, importer of reeds, declared that reeds should be left on the free list because they are used only as a raw material. He insisted that the increased duty would benefit only the large furniture manufacturers who make their own reeds and that it would result in discrimination against the smaller furniture makers who are obliged to import their reeds.

Oppose Duty on Bamboo.

H. A. Steiert, of Philadelphia, representing A. Steiert and Sons, manufacturers of brooms sold to municipalities for street cleaning purposes, objected to the proposed duty of 2 cents a pound on split bamboo, which he said was equivalent to 66 2-3 per cent ad valorem. This fiber, he said, grows in the Orient and does not compete with anything in the United States. Mr. Steiert told the committee that the duty had been placed in the bill at instance of the reed manufacturers in this country who by that means thought they could force the broom manufacturers to use the bark taken from rattan in the process of manufacturing reeds and for which there is no market.

CASHIER ARRESTED AS BANK CLOSES

MARINERS HARBOR, S. I., Aug. 29.—Sylvanus Bell, former cashier of the Mariners Harbor Savings Bank, was arrested today for the second time as the result of alleged discovery of further irregularities in the bank's accounts.

The Moore of the Mariners Harbor Bank were closed today "to protect the interest of customers." The shortage was said to be \$200,000.

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CALLING OF ARMS MEETING PARALYZES LEAGUE PROGRAM

Assembly, Soon to Meet, Realizes Any Large International Decisions Impossible.

GENEVA, Aug. 29.—The Washington disarmament conference, more than two months away, has cast its influence over the second general assembly of the league of nations, and thus early effectively paralyzed the league as far as any great international action is concerned.

Except for the launching of the league's international court of justice, none of the greater questions of the day—even if they are discussed—can be settled until the attitude of the powers after they have attended the Washington meeting is ascertained or until the results of that conference are known.

Waste of Time. It is learned that representatives of the larger nations now in Geneva are practically unanimous in admitting that it would be a sheer waste of time for the assembly to consider a great part of the assembly will end its sessions had formed its agenda.

As a result, it is expected that the assembly will end its sessions within two weeks, instead of lasting for a month or more, as it did in 1920.

Moreover, the various delegations have greatly decreased in size. England's and Japan's representatives to the assembly of 1920 numbered eighty apiece. Today they do not exceed a dozen—and the delegations from South America are missing.

On two of the most important questions which were to have been acted upon by the league assembly, the reports of Arthur Balfour's amendment commission and of Rene Viviani's disarmament commission, the assembly is completely tied up.

Useless for Time Being. As an indication of the abandonment of the plan to attempt a solution of this last question, it is learned that Viviani intends to turn over all the data his commission has collected to the Washington conference.

A majority of the proposed amendments, which had been furthered by Canada, South Africa, and other British dominions, and which were intended to facilitate America's entry into the league, are also recognized as useless for the time being.

Insists Upon "Interests." The failures of others may, however, have taught him that the surest way to attain a lofty end is not always to proclaim its loftiness in advance. He may have learned that the presence of a spice of self-interest, national or individual, is often helpful in persuading men of worth and of ethical principles. Hence, perchance, his insistence upon the "interests" of the United States as the main concern of Mr. Harding's administration.

When the full catalogue of those "interests" comes to be made up there may be found among them such matters as the promotion of good will among nations, the assurance of peace in the Pacific, and the elimination of armaments among the powers chiefly "interested."

Keeps Footstool on Earth. Thus, unless I misjudge him, Mr. Hughes' way of approach to the stars is from the solid earth; and he is unlikely for a single moment to lose his foothold in any attempt to touch the vault of Heaven at a bound.

"The greatest political mind in American public affairs in the last sixty years," was the considered judgment of one who has worked and now works with him daily, and who is no mean judge of men.

Certainly he and his friend, President Harding, have wrought a profound change in the position of the United States since last spring.

The end of the Wilson regime found American public opinion disillusioned and inclined to cry: "To thy tents, O Israel!" when a cooperation with foreign countries was suggested. Nevertheless, Mr. Harding and Mr. Hughes have restored the American representative to his seat in the supreme council and issued invitations to the principal allies and associates of the war to meet in conference for the purpose of discussing disarmament and the questions of policy in the Pacific.

Realizes Importance of Issue. Henceforth the figure of Mr. Hughes will stand out against the background of the conference in Washington. The ill-informed suggest that when the idea of the conference was first mooted, President Harding's administration did not realize how big a business they had set afoot. Those who hold this view cannot have discussed the conference with Mr. Hughes. He sees that it is a case—and that it cannot win or lose, fail to win or lose—issues were immediately dangerous to any with which the Paris conference had to deal.

It is he who will be in direct contact with these issues and with the statesmen delegated by the other powers to attend the conference. He may be trusted to use to the full all the force of his keen intellect, all the impartiality of the disinterested man, all the depth of his convictions, and all his political experience to lead the conference towards a successful conclusion.

One thing may, however, be prophesied of him—in his pursuit of the "interests" of the United States he will be guided only by what he and the President think just and right. The governments that are sincere with him he will respect and trust as soon as their sincerity has been put to the proof and stood the test. He will hardly give trust on credit.

But should any government seem in practice lacking in sincerity it will arouse in Mr. Hughes' mind distrust that nothing will avail to efface. The curbed idealist in him will vanish and the steel-cold intelligence of the trained lawyer will come into play. How deadly its thrust may then be, those who best understand who have seen the workings of his clear blue eyes and have guessed what lightnings those eyes can dart forth when the whole man is stirred by some deep emotion.

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Less than 35 cents per pupil is spent per year by American city schools for health service.

Birthday Bulletin



CHARLES H. HAMLIN, Member of the Federal Reserve Board, former governor of the board, and one of the most popular men connected with the Treasury Department in an executive capacity, who is today celebrating his sixtieth birthday. Mr. Hamlin was born in Boston, August 30, 1861, and received his early education in the public schools. He was graduated from Harvard University. For a time he practiced law in Boston, and later became Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, serving in that capacity for two terms. In 1914 he was appointed a member of the Federal Reserve Board and served as governor. He is well known as an author. Mr. Hamlin is married and has one daughter. His Washington address is 1751 New Hampshire avenue northwest.

WOMAN SUES LORD FOR MONEY OWED

NEW YORK, Aug. 29.—A mysterious suit was filed in Supreme Court here today against Frederick Eden and Susan L. Eden, the sixth Lord and Lady Auckland of Great Britain.

The plaintiff was Lily H. Gay. Her attorney merely stated the suit was for "money owed."

Lord and Lady Auckland came here in the spring of 1920 to recuperate their fortune by writing, printing and sculpturing. Some time ago Eden was sued by the Rev. Thomas O'Keefe for \$4,000 said to have been a loan, but the suit was later dropped.

Mrs. Eden was the daughter of Augustus C. Hartbridge, of Jacksonville, Fla. One of Eden's ancestors was governor of Maryland under British rule and another was governor-general of Canada.

Sing Sing Trustees Removed.

OSISING, Aug. 29.—Following the discovery that Sing Sing convicts had forged prison checks for \$140,000, Warden Lawes removed all trustees from the prison office Monday. Agents of the State comptroller will attend to all bookkeeping in the future.

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Soothing and Healing. Doctors daily prescribe this ointment to heal skin trouble because they know it gives prompt results.



Thousand Donate Skin for Grafting Upon Burned Girl

NEW YORK, Aug. 29.—After Miss Cecelia Starkey, aged 16, of Jersey City, finishes with her 1,000 skin-grafting ordeal, she will be a sort of blood relation to every member of the Jersey City Fire Department and numerous other friends who are donating bits of cuticle in order to patch her up.

Miss Starkey was frightfully burned about four months ago when a stove, over which she was working, exploded. For a time it was feared she had no chance to survive. As a last desperate resort, skin grafting was decided upon, but the burned area was so large that many volunteers were required.

Three of her brothers are members of the fire department, and they offered themselves. Since then every member of the force has either given a bit of cuticle or is on the waiting list; also numerous other friends. Two hundred and fifty grafts have already been made, but Miss Starkey must submit to 700 additional operations before the burned area is covered. She is enduring the ordeal bravely, and surgeons say she will eventually recover, but she will have probably the largest assortment of skin ever carried by an individual.

CHARLES WHITE'S FUNERAL TODAY

Funeral services for Charles White, life-long resident of Washington, who died Sunday night at his residence, 227 C street northwest, will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock from his late residence.

Mr. White, who was 69 years old, was engaged in the structural iron business here for more than fifty years, and many public buildings of the District were erected under his supervision. He is survived by widow, and his mother, 94 years old. Burial will be in Rock Creek Cemetery.

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CONNECTS DEATH OF BANKER WITH 'SWINDLE TRUST'

Letter Gives New Clue. Worthington Weakens, Officials Believe.

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